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C O N F I D E N T I A L NICOSIA 3234

FOR COUNSELOR NIMETZ FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PGOV, UNGA, CY

SUBJECT: CYPRUS MISSING PERSONS

REF: (A) NICOSIA 3231, (B) NICOSIA 3230

1. THROUGHOUT THE AFTERNOON AND EVENING OF DEC 11, DENKTASH REMAINED OUT OF NICOSIA AND DELIBERATELY UNAVAILABLE. IN LATE MORNING DEC 12, OUR SENIOR TURKISH CYPRIOT EMPLOYEE MANAGED TO TRACK DOWN AND MEET HIM IN THE WESTERN-MOST PORTION OF THE TURKISH ZONE. DENKTASH TOLD HIM THERE MUST HAVE BEEN A MISUNDERSTANDING: HIS AGREEMENT OF EVENING DEC 10 HAD BEEN TO CALL ME IF HE HAD SOMETHING POSITIVE TO REPORT.

2. THERE WAS NO MISUNDERSTANDING. I CONCLUDE THAT DENKTASH THINKS THE TURKISH AND TURKISH CYPRIOT POSITION IN  
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NEW YORK IS COMFORTABLE AND THAT HE IS DISPOSED TO WELCOME THIRD COMMITTEE DEBATE, WHICH HE SAYS WILL GIVE TURKISH CYPRIOTS THE CHANCE TO GET THEIR VIEW ON MISSING PERSONS INTO THE PUBLIC RECORD. HE HAS ALSO SAID THAT WITH THE RIGHT KIND OF RESOLUTION DISCUSSION CAN CONTINUE ON CREATION OF MISSING PERSONS INVESTIGATORY COMMITTEE.

3. BEARING ON THIS IS INFORMATION PROVIDED BY MY BRITISH COLLEAGUE, HIGH COMMISSIONER GORDON, WHO LUNCHEDED WITH DENKTASH OUTSIDE NICOSIA YESTERDAY. GORDON SAYS DENKTASH TOLD HIM APROPOS OF HIS STATEMENT TO THE PRESS AFTER OUR EVENING DEC 10 MEETING THAT AGREEMENT WAS NOT YET FINAL BECAUSE OF DISAGREEMENT ON DECISION-MAKING.

4. TO LEAVE NO STONE UNTURNED IN TRYING TO GET DENKTASH ON BOARD, WE ALSO SPOKE WITH THE TURKISH EMBASSY MORNING DEC 12. EMBASSY DESCRIBED GOT POSITION AS BEING COMPLETELY HANDS-OFF. GOT WILL INTERCEDE NO MORE. WHETHER DENKTASH UNTIMATELY AGREES OR NOT IS HIS DECISION.

5. LATE MORNING DEC 12, PAPADOPOULOS GAVE A PRESS CONFERENCE. BY SEPTTEL WE WILL REPORT HIS PREPARED STATEMENT AND ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS. IN SUMMARY, HE OUTLINED GOC REQUIREMENTS FOR AGREEMENT ON INVESTIGATORY COMMITTEE AND ALSO KEPT THE DOOR OPEN.

6. COMMENT: IN MY PERHAPS OVER OPTIMISTIC VIEW, THERE IS STILL A FAIR CHANCE OF FINALLY WINNING AGREEMENT ON MISSING PERSONS INVESTIGATORY COMMITTEE, BUT NOT TODAY. THE UNDERLYING REASON, I BELIEVE, IS THAT BOTH SIDES SEE ADVANTAGE IN THIRD COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND A RESOLUTION. THE NOW PUBLIC POSITIONS OF BOTH SIDES ARE SOMEWHAT CONFIDENTIAL

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